

April 18, 2006

Clerk of the Arizona Supreme Court
1501 West Washington
Suite 402
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Sir or Madam:

We at the firm of Borowiec & Borowiec, P.C. are writing in response to the proposed changes that would allow electronic recording of all civil , juvenile and other proceedings in lieu of court reporters. We at the firm of Borowiec & Borowiec are trial lawyers. Trial lawyers know that our system of justice, although not perfect, works because it is continuously subject to scrutiny.

Court proceedings, when appropriate, should have the guaranteed right to the best record, and because of technical limitations, the best record is the professional court reporter.

Clearly individuals that are not speaking into a tape, or do not speak clearly, or those who do not speak in a coherent manner, cannot be accurately reported by an electronic recording alone.

Therefore, the lawyers at Borowiec & Borowiec, P.C. would object to any petition that proposes changes that would subject courtrooms to inadequate staff and/or court reporters. We believe that the court reporter is an integral component of our justice system, and the sole keeper of the record for appeals and other review.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Ms. Jennifer Greene